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ACTION SY-05

INFO OCT-01 EUR-12 ISO-00 /018 W
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R 231200Z MAY 78
FM AMEMBASSY BUDAPEST
TO SECSTATE WASH DC 1543
INFO AMCONSUL FRANKFURT
AMEMBASSY VIENNA
AMEMBASSY BONN
MARSECURITYGDBN WASH DC

C O N F I D E N T I A L BUDAPEST 2090

STATE FOR A/SY/FO, A/SY/CE; FRANKFURT FOR RSS, RMO; VIENNA
FOR RSO; BONN FOR RSO; MSGBN FOR CO

E.O.11652: GDS
TAGS: ASEC
SUBJECT: SURVEILLANCE OF AMEMBASSY BUDAPEST

1. ON 18 MAY AT 1500 THREE (3) SUSPICIOUS PERSONS WERE
OBSERVED BY THE MSG, POST #1 (LOBBY) AND NCOIC AT THE
AMEMBASSY BUDAPEST.

2. THESE INDIVIDUALS WERE IN THE ICA LIBRARY FOR APPROX
10 MINUTES AND WERE OBSERVED TO BE WATCHING THE MSG ON DUTY
IN A SURREPTITIOUS MANNER. WHEN THE NCOIC INDICATED TO THE
MEN THAT HE WAS AWARE OF THEIR SURVEILLANCE, THEY APPEARED
TO GO INTO A PREARRANGED ROUTINE, I.E. THEY DISPERSED AND
ACTED INNOCUOUSLY.

3. WITHIN APPROX TWO MINUTES OF THE INCIDENT THEY LEFT THE
EMBASSY TOGETHER; ONE OF THE GROUP CHECKED-OUT FOUR LIBRARY
BOOKS. A FEW MINUTES LATER ONE RETURNED AND SAID HE
HAD BOOKS TO RETURN (NOTE: THESE WERE THE SAME BOOKS
CHECKED-OUT ABOUT 10 MINUTES EARLIER). HE THEN RETURNED
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THE BOOKS.

4. ON 19 MAY THE SAME INDIVIDUAL WHO RETURNED THE BOOKS
VISITED THE CONSULAR SECTION (HE DID NOT SPEAK TO ANYONE).
AND LEFT FIVE MINUTES LATER.

5. ON 22 MAY THESE SAME INDIVIDUALS WITH ONE OTHER PERSON

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WERE SEEN FOLLOWING THE AMB'S VEHICLE. THEY DROVE A
LIGHT BLUE BMW 530 WITH W.GERMAN "ZOLL" PLATES (ROUND)
NO 681 Z 7862. THEY FOLLOWED THE CAR FOR A SHORT DISTANCE.

6. THE EMBASSY STAFF BRIEFED ABOUT THESE INCIDENTS ON
22 MAY AND SEVERAL PERSONS ADDED THAT THE INDIVIDUALS
HAD COME TO THEIR ATTENTION IN RECENT DAYS. THEY SAID,
HOWEVER, THAT THEY DID NOT INTERPRET THESE SIGHTINGS TO BE
SUSPICIOUS UNTIL THE AFOREMENTIONED DETAILS WERE EXPLAINED.

7. AN INVESTIGATION MADE ON 18 MAY REVEALED THAT TWO OF THE
INDIVIDUALS HAVE ICA LIBRARY CARDS (LOCAL I.D. MUST BE PRODUCED
AT THE TIME OF REGISTRATION). THEY ARE REGISTERED AS:

A. NAME: DUKA, MIHALY
ADDRESS: 120 BUDAPEST, PAINITA 157/A

B. NAME: SARKOZY, LASZLO
ADDRESS: 1081 BUDAPEST
PESTI NEPSZINKAZ 617

8. PHYSICAL DESCRIPTIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

A. DUKA, MIHALY
HT: 5'10" - 5"11"
WT: 160
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COMPLEXION: LIGHT OLIVE
HAIR: BLACK, STRINGY, FU MANCHU MUSTACHE, ROUGH BEARD.
AGE: ABOUT 27
FEATURES: ARABIC OR GYPSY
THIS MAN CHECKED OUT AND RETURNED THE LIBRARY BOOKS.

B. SARKOZY, LASZLO
HT: 5'11"
WT: 130
COMPLEXION: LIGHT OLIVE
HAIR: BLACK HAIR OVER EARS, CLEAN SHAVEN
AGE: ABOUT 20
FEATURES: BABY-FACED, ARABIC OR GYPSY

C. UNKNOWN NAME
HT: 5'9" - 5"10"
WT: 175
COMPLEXION: CLEAR, LIGHT, WRINKLED
HAIR: LIGHT HAIR (SANDY), SLIGHTLY BALDING,
WORN LONG IN BACK.
AGE: EARLY 30'S
FEATURES: GERMANIC LOOKING

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9. MATTER REFERRED TO HUNGARIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY IN COMPLETE DETAIL ON 22 MAY 78. THEY PROMISED IMMEDIATE COORDINATION WITH SECURITY AUTHORITIES AND AN IMMEDIATE INVESTIGATION. ALL EMBASSY STAFF NOW TAKING SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS. FOREIGN OFFICE WILL BE QUERIED AS TO RESULTS OF INQUIRES SOONEST.

10. FOR BONN:

MAKE APPROPRIATE INQUIRES TO DETERMINE REGISTRATION SPECIFICS OF AFOREMENTIONED BMW 530; REPORT VIA WIRE HERE SOONEST.

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11. RESULTS OF HUNGARIAN POLICE INVESTIGATION WILL BE REPORTED WHEN RECEIVED HERE.

12. RSO VIENNA SENDS.
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